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SUBJ: BARBADOS' REQUEST FOR AIRPORT SECURITY ASSISTANCE

1. DURING MEETING BETWEEN ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN AND BARBADIAN OFFICIALS ON NOVEMBER 25, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER HENRY FORDE COMPLAINED THAT RECENTLY GOB AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. OLIVER JACKMAN HAD BEEN GIVEN A NEGATIVE REPLY (AND A SECURITY EQUIPMENT CATALOGUE) TO A GOB REQUEST FOR U.S. ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING AIRPORT SECURITY EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING. FORDE AND HIS PERMANENT SECRETARY SYMMONDS BOTH SAID THAT THEY HAD BEEN ASSURED IN A 1976 DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR SHLAUDEMAN THAT AID'S PER CAPITA INCOME CRITERION WOULD NOT PRECLUDE U.S. ASSISTANCE IN THE AIRPORT SECURITY FIELD. AS THE MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR CIVIL AVIATION, DEPUTY PRIMER BERNARD ST. JOHN EXPLAINED THAT PASSENGER SCREENING EQUIPMENT WAS NEEDED FOR THE NEW TERMINAL BUILDING COMPLEX UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT GRANTLEY-ADAMS AIRPORT. ST. JOHN ADDED THAT THE MANNER IN WHICH THIS REQUEST HAD BEEN DENIED WAS AN EXAMPLE OF THE LOW LEVEL ATTENTION THE GOB RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. AND OF THE LACK OF RESPONSIVENESS THE U.S. SHOWED TOWARD BARBADIAN NEEDS.

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3. ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN SAID HE WOULD REVIEW THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE BARBADIAN REQUEST FOR AIRPORT SECURITY ASSISTANCE UPON HIS RETURN TO WASHINGTON.

4. ACTION REQUIRED: PLEASE REVIEW BARBADIAN REQUEST FOR AIRPORT SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND THE SUBSEQUENT NEGATIVE DECISION. ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN HAS ASKED THAT HE

BE BRIEFED UPON HIS RETURN TO DEPARTMENT. PLEASE
INFORM THIS EMBASSY OF SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS.
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